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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/125,122
Filing Date	Jan. 4, 1999
First Named Inventor	Tarro
Group Art Unit	1647
Examiner Name	Bunner, Bridget
Attorney Docket Number	A31920-PCT-USA

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other _____

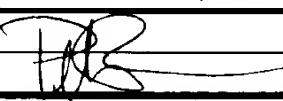
2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-4377
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other Any additional charges under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17
- b. Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

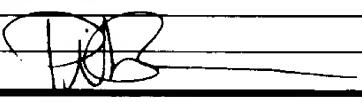
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Signature		Date	Aug. 26, 2003

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

Effective 01/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$840)

Complete if Known

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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Deposit Account Number	02-4377
Deposit Account Name	Baker Botts LLP

The Commissioner is authorized to: (check all that apply)

Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments
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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 750	2001 375	Utility filing fee	
1002 330	2002 165	Design filing fee	
1003 520	2003 260	Plant filing fee	
1004 750	2004 375	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$0)	

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	- 20 = 0	X 0 = 0	0
Multiple Dependent	- 3 = 0	X 0 = 0	0

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (2)		(\$0)

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath		
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet		
1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification		
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination		
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action		
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action		
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month		
1252 410	2252 205	Extension for reply within second month		
1253 930	2253 465	Extension for reply within third month		
1254 1,450	2254 725	Extension for reply within fourth month		
1255 1,970	2255 985	Extension for reply within fifth month		
1401 320	2401 160	Notice of Appeal		
1402 320	2402 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal		
1403 280	2403 140	Request for oral hearing		
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding		
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable		
1453 1,300	2453 650	Petition to revive - unintentional		
1501 1,300	2501 650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)		
1502 470	2502 235	Design issue fee		
1503 630	2503 315	Plant issue fee		
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner		
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)		
1806 180	1806 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt		
8021 40	8021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)		
1809 750	2809 375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))		
1810 750	2810 375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))		
1801 750	2801 375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	375	
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application		

Other fee (specify) _____

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$840)

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